

Biography

Ben Knight

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Mr. Knight's current activities and responsibilities include the planning and implementation of Honda's environmental product efforts and programs for both gasoline and alternative fuel vehicles, including Honda's U.S. Fuel Cell Vehicle (FCV) program. Other programs include Honda's Low Emission (gasoline) Vehicle lineup (LEV-SULEV/PZEV), the Hybrid-Electric Vehicle (HEV) programs, and Alternative Fuel Vehicle (AFV) programs for Natural Gas Vehicles (NGVs), Electric Vehicles (EVs), in addition to the hydrogen-fueled Fuel Cell Vehicles. . In his career at Honda R&D that began in 1976, Mr. Knight has managed market and technology research, and product planning for new vehicle models in Honda's U.S. product line.

Ben served on the U.S. Federal Advisory Committee on Personal Vehicle Greenhouse Gas Reductions in 1994-1995. Currently, he represents Honda on the California Fuel Cell Partnership Steering Committee, and also in the Study of Extremely Low Emission Vehicles (SELEV) research program at UC Riverside, CE-CERT and on the Coordinating Research Council Board (CRC).

Mr. Knight received a Bachelor of Science degree from Stanford in Mechanical Engineering with Phi Beta Kappa honors in 1972, and a Masters degree in Business Administration from Stanford in 1974. His career at Honda has paralleled the build-up of Honda's technical research and development activities based in North America.